

## Question #75494

### Description:

a) What is transport phenomenon? Obtain an expression for:

i) the average number of molecules crossing an arbitrary plane from either side per unit area per second is  $N$ ,  $v$

ii) the average height at which a molecule makes its last collision before crossing the plane is .

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$\lambda$

iii) Using the results in (i) and (ii) obtain an expression for viscosity of the gas.

iv) Discuss its pressure and temperature dependence.

### Solution.

1. basic equation of molecular kinetic theory

$$p = nkT$$

where  $n$  concentration,  $p$  pressure,  $T$  temperature,

the required number of molecules is (taking into account the probable movement of 3 axes)

$$N = \frac{n\langle v^2 \rangle S}{6}$$

Where  $\langle v^2 \rangle$  the mean quadratic velocity,  $S$  the area of the plane and equal condition  $1 \text{ m}^2$ , taking into account the motion in both directions through the plane

$$N = \frac{n\langle v^2 \rangle S}{6} \cdot 2 = \frac{n\langle v^2 \rangle 1}{3} = \frac{n}{3} \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}}$$

Where  $T$  temperature,  $R$  universal gas constant,  $M$  molar mass.

2. According to Maxwell's distribution, the free run will be

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\pi d^2 n}$$

$d$  the effective radius of the molecule if  $\lambda = 2$  or  $3 \text{ m}$

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\pi 2n}}, \sqrt{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\pi 2n}}$$

3 Gas viscosity

$$\eta = \frac{1}{3} \rho \langle v^2 \rangle \lambda$$

taking into account the formula of the Mendeleev - Clapeyron, the length of the free path of molecules and required number  $N$ , and basic equation of molecular kinetic theory

$$\eta = \frac{1}{3} \frac{pM}{RT} \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}\pi d^2 n} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{pM}{RT} \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}} \frac{kT}{\sqrt{2}\pi d^2 p} = \sqrt{\frac{TM}{3R}} \frac{k}{\sqrt{2}\pi d^2}$$

4 Gas viscosity viscosity is virtually independent of pressure for gases subject to Maxwell statistics that is, it means

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial p} = 0$$

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